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ADVISORY ACTION

1. This Advisory Action is in regards to the most recent response filed on 01/04/2008.

Response to Arguments

2. Applicant's arguments with respect to claims 1-14 filed on 01/04/2008 have been fully considered but they are not persuasive.

On pages 2-3, Applicant argues that “*Miller* does not teach or suggest that the claimed real-time connectivity information to be collected by a client computer system. Furthermore, *Miller* does not teach or suggest that the claimed real-time connectivity information to be stored a local persistent knowledgebase of the client computer system.”, and *Miller* does not teach or suggest the steps of “utilizing said real-time connectivity information by said client computer system to establish a network connection with a computer network.”

The examiner respectfully disagrees. First, the examiner would like to point out that the examiner interprets the “client computer system” as *customer site computer* of *Miller* (see fig. 4-5, col. 8, lines 56-65). Second, *Miller* explicitly discloses monitoring and analyzing state and connectivity of the network traffics, and utilizing this information to execute the executable codes in the knowledge base to diagnose and repair a problem involving the network (see col. 9, lines 37-64). The executable codes resided in the knowledge base are used to set up the conditions for the event handler, so that once

the real-time network connectivity information is capture they can be analyzed based on the executable code conditions.

In response to applicant's argument on page 4 paragraph 1, "Examiner states that the claimed determining step is not explicitly disclosed by Miller. Since Miller does not disclose the claimed determining, Miller would not have taught or suggested the claimed invoking step either because the claimed determining step is a condition precedent to the claimed invoking step." The examiner respectfully disagrees. After proof-reading and reviewing the previous Final Office Action, the Examiner realized that there was a typo on page 15 of the Final Office Action. The correct statement should be: "However, Miller does not explicitly disclose **details** of determining whether or not a connection failure occurred at network connection.". As Applicant has also noticed that the limitation: "determining whether or not a connection failure occurred at said network connection" is also addressed as an inherent feature in *Miller's* reference in the previous Final Office Action on page 10.

In response to applicant's argument on page 5, paragraph 1, Applicant argues that Wall does not teach or suggest "the details of determining whether or not a connection failure occurred at network connection". The examiner respectfully disagrees. The details of determining a connection failure at a network connection is taught in the operation work flow of Wall in fig. 4, page 5, paragraphs 44-46, wherein the operation flow branches to determine mismatch and failure at a network components and test to validate the network components, and eventually if connection

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failure is found, the system attempts to fix the error with the connection reconciliation system.

Conclusion

3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Lin Liu whose telephone number is (571) 270-1447.

The examiner can normally be reached on Monday - Friday, 7:30am - 5:00pm, EST.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Jason Cardone can be reached on (571) 272-3933. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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